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SUBJECT: BISHOPS CONCLAVE WRITES TO VIDELA ABOUT  
DETIANEES

THE PERMANENT COMMISSION OF THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE WILL SEND A LETTER TO PRESIDENT VIDELA REGARDING THE SITUATION OF DETAINED AND DISAPPEARED PERSONS IN ARGENTINA, CONFERENCE PRESIDENT CARDINAL PRIMATESTA REVEALED MAR 15. THE LETTER, WHICH WILL BE HELD CONFIDENTIAL, IS THE THIRD OF ITS KIND FROM THE BISHOPS SINCE THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT TOOK POWER. THE LETTER WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT "NEW STEPS, SUCH AS THE PUBLICATION OF LIST OF POLITICAL PRISONERS", PRIMATESTA TOLD JOURNALISTS. EXPLAINING THAT HE COULD NOT COMMENT FURTHER AS "THE CHURCH'S ATTITUDES CAN BE MISINTERPRETED BY THE PRESS," PRIMATESTA NEVERTHELESS ADDED THE THERE APPEARS TO EXIST THE "WILL TO IMPROVE THINGS ALTHOUGH THE SITUATION HAS REACHED THE POINT THAT IT CANNOT BE PUT RIGHT FROM NIGHT TO DAY." CASTRO

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